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7:00 PM

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Upcoming

Events:

Fly-in & Pancake
Breakfast
May 29, 2005
7:30 AM to
3:30 PM



Successful Safety Seminar

On Wednesday, March 16, 2005, local pilots and aviation enthusiasts were treated to a discussion sponsored by Kent State University, Tuscarawas, and your local Chapter #1077. Chris Palcho and Robert Haake were the guest speakers provided by the FAA Safety Seminar Program. Topics covered were Pilot Performed Maintenance and the latest information about the new Sport Pilot License. Before the topics were presented, a DVD of Chapter member Mark Dusenberry flying his 1905 Wright Flyer was shown to a very appreciative audience. A spirited discussion about the merits and drawbacks of the new Sport License concluded the meeting. During the final stages of the program, Chris Palcho threw out a question to the audience asking what more the FAA could do for General Aviation pilots.

Several individuals suggested that an additive be formulated to allow older aircraft requiring 80 octane fuel to function more effectively on 100LL.

Several people should be mentioned as being important to bringing the Safety Seminar program to our local airport. In particular, Don Zimmerman, Chris Palcho, and Terry Henry were most instrumental in making this event happen. We would especially like to thank Sporty's Aviation for donations of Aviation DVDs.

FAA Wings Program

Pilots need to be aware that the FAA is offering a program for pilots encouraging them to continue to upgrade their skills. Pilots can earn their "wings" by attending a Safety Seminar such as the one recently held at Kent State University, Tuscarawas, and schedule to fly three one hour lessons with an instructor of their choice. Wings cards are available at all Safety Seminars and need to be signed by one of the presenters.

Up close and Personal

(by Glenn Davis)



Last October while the Ohio Valley RV8tors were celebrating their first anniversary at Harry Clever, I had the opportunity to

achieve a lifelong dream by getting a ride with Gary Slutz in his RV4 and flying formation with John Furey and another pilot whose name I have forgotten, but who goes by the nickname of Wolfman. It is a whole different perspective when in a 60-degree, 2 ½ G turn with other aircraft just a few feet away. I heartily recommend formation flying as an experience not to be passed upon if given the opportunity.

MemberProfile: Vince Welch



Chapter member, Terry Henry and his pal, Wayne Burkhart recently made the trip to Holmes County Airport to check on the progress of fellow Chapter 1077 member, Vince Welch, who is hard at work on his RV8A. Vince has had very little help on his project, except drafting his wife Lillian, for those times when he needed more than two hands. Vince reports that he is very close to being ready to mate the wings to the fuselage and hopes to maintain the tight schedule he has set after beginning construction about 5 years ago. He has installed an oxygen system, autopilot with altitude hold, GPS, and AOA. He hopes to be flying by early May. We can only hope that this project is just the first of many that Chapter members will undertake.



Vince holds degrees in Microprocessor Technology and Computer Systems and works for Dover Chemical as a Maintenance Manager. He is now a permanent resident in our county.



Pancake Breakfast/Fly-in

On May 29, the skies of New Philadelphia will be filled (weather permitting) with the sounds of aircraft attending our next Fly-in Event at Harry Clever Field. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 AM until 3:30PM. At around 12:00 PM, lunch menu items will also be available. Come join us for a great time.